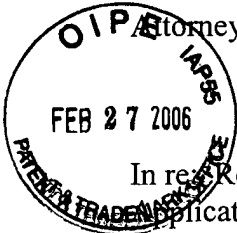


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AMENDMENT

The Applicants provide the present Amendment to address the issues raised in the Office Action mailed December 2, 2005 ("Office Action"). Applicants note that the Office Action does not appear to have clearly set forth any grounds for rejection of any of Claims 19-21, 23-33, 37-39, 41-51, or 54-57, and accordingly request further review and withdrawal of the rejections of those claims. Moreover, Applicants submit that the rejected claims are patentable over the cited references for at least the reasons explained below.

It is not believed that an extension of time and/or additional fee(s)-including fees for net addition of claims-are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. In the event, however, that an extension of time is necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such an extension is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Any additional fees believed to be due in connection with this paper may be charged to our Deposit Account 09-0461.

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